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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Legislative confirmation reports.

CLERK: The first report this morning by Senator Dierks as Chair of the Agriculture Committee. Senator, your report is on page 1048 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Your Committee on Agriculture is reporting favorably upon the appointments of Stanley Heng, Greg Ibach, Richard Nelson, Dave Vogler, and Dayle Williamson, all for the Climate Assessment Response Committee. The hearing was on Tuesday, March 9th. And the report was voted favorably on by the committee. And I ask your approval. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Any discussion? Senator Dierks, you're recognized to close. Senator Chambers, you're a little slow this morning. (Laughter.)

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Or the Chair was pretty rapid.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: I can see, I see you were distracted, so I'll recognize you.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I just want to state my standard disclaimer so that these people will know that I have no animis against them, but I would like to ask Senator Dierks a question or two. Senator Dierks, are all of these persons who are being recommended members of the male gender? Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes, they are.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. That's all that I need. And that's all I have. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion? Senator Dierks. Waives closing. The question before us is the adoption of the confirmation report of the